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SUBJECT: BHUTAN: HIGH LEVEL ATTENDANCE AT 64TH UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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¶1. (SBU) In an August 11 exchange about Bhutan's participation in the 64th UN General Assembly, the MFA's Director of Multilateral Affairs Kunzang Namgyel told us that Bhutan expects to send a delegation of approximately five officials led by Foreign Minister Ugyen Tshering. Post will transmit additional information once it is available.

¶2. (SBU) Government of Bhutan tentative participation is as follows:

¶A. Attendance of the Head of State: We have received no indication that King Jigme Khesar Namgyel Wangchuck will attend.

¶B. Attendance of the Head of Government: We have received no indication that Prime Minister Jigme Thinley will attend.

¶C. Attendance of the Foreign Minister: Minister of Foreign Affairs Ugyen Tshering is expected to attend.

--Name and Title: Ugyen Tshering, Minister of Foreign Affairs

--Arrival and Departure Dates: Exact arrival and departure dates are unknown.

--Spouse's Attendance: We have received no indication that the Foreign Affairs Minister's wife will attend.

--Interpretation Required: No.

¶D. Attendance of other VIP's: Namgyel conveyed the official delegation would total approximately five officials, but could not offer specific information.

¶E. Attendance of MFA officials responsible for IO affairs:
See answer D.

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